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Bronfman hailed

JEWISH PHILANTHROPIST THE HERO OF MONTREAL

by Oscar Berson
CJN reporter

Charles R. Bronfman, president of House of Seagram Ltd. and son of Canada's veteran Jewish leader Samuel Bronfman, will make the cover story of the September issue of Nouveau Monde. Charles' unusual life story, together with the saga of the Bronfman family, will be featured in North America's only French magazine under Jewish auspices for his contribution to a better understanding among all Quebeckers – Jews, Catholics, Protestants, French or English speaking.

The September issue of Nouveau Monde will appear about the fifteenth of the month. The story of the Bronfmans has been selected, according to the editors, because of the Bronfmans' traditional involvement in the progress and contribution towards the development of Quebec. (Nouveau Monde is published in Montreal around the fifteenth of every month).

The latest coup of Charles R. Bronfman, which may alter the face of Montreal, making it a baseball capital, has been his initiative in establishing the Montreal Baseball Club Ltd. of which he is chairman. The other head of this historic enterprise, from the point of view of Montreal, is a French Canadian, Paul Beaudry.

Because of the construction of Montreal's new baseball team center, an effort will be made to elevate the youth in some slum sections of Montreal and infuse them with a sense of pride in a national league baseball team.

Charles Bronfman, like his father, uncle and brothers, always has been interested in all segments of the population of Quebec.

The fact that Montreal's baseball stadium will be located in the predominantly French language section of the city will contribute towards creating a healthier climate of understanding among all Quebeckers.

Charles Bronfman's selection as chairman of Montreal Baseball Club certainly is a great distinction for a Jew, Montrealers say. It augurs well for the future as the new generation in all communities begins to assume an active role of leadership in Canada's largest city.

Charles Bronfman, like his semiretired father, is not a politician and refuses to be involved in politics. The Bronfmans' interests are service to the community. In the Jewish community, the Bronfman clan is know for its enormous contributions to Israel while supporting every important Catholic and Protestant initiative in Quebec (Canada in general).

Nouveau Monde will stress especially the contribution of the Bronfmans to the development of French culture, particularly the arts, without any involvement in political areas.

In Israel, Charles Bronfman recently has become known for the successful rescue-operation of Super-Sol, a supermarket chain, a business miracle he performed together with his Toronto friend, Ray D. Wolfe, president of Oshawa Wholesale Ltd.

'Red Star' raises dual loyalties

London (JCNS) - Vicious attacks on Jews and Judaism, and accusations of dual loyalty have been a recent feature of the Soviet press, prime among them being an article in "Red Star", the Soviet Army daily, which almost never attacks specific religions or accuses any ethnic group of collective crimes, the JCNS Special Correspondent on East European Affairs writes.

The renewed accusations of dual loyalty have clear implications for Soviet Jewry and must increase the concern over their situation.

"The religious morality of Judaism," declared "Red Star", "isolates religious Jews from other nations and justifies any crime against Gentiles", a statement reminiscent of antisemitic writings the world over.

FABRICATED STORY

The Soviet Army's political section, headed by General A. Yepishev, is responsible for the editing of "Red Star". At the time of the so-called "Doctors' Plot", in 1953 (when a group of Jewish doctors was accused of plotting to poison Soviet leaders) he was Deputy Minister of State Security, and one of the men behind the fabrication of the whole story.

The article also accuses "the Zionist imperialist agencies in New York and Tel Aviv", of "disseminating the libel of alleged persecution of Jews in the Soviet Union", declaring that it "is unnecessary to deny such fabrications . . . Zionism and antisemitism are both alien to Soviet society, since they are the product of the bourgeois class system".

"Komsomolskaya Pravda", the Young Communist League paper, which has a long tradition of antisemitic articles, added its voice to "Red Star's" diatribe, describing the American Joint Distribution Committee as an espionage agency.

The paper said that when the "Joint" was operating in Poland (it was closed down there in December of last year) it spent considerable sums of money on spying activities.

Commentary

by M.J. NURENBERGER

Socialism

In the darkness of the night that suddenly descended upon Europe and the world, one remains mute, paralyzed. For, to say anything against this new definition of Socialism -- rape plus kidnapping -- sounds cynical.

Were I a Czech or Slovak, I should feel like the men and women who reacted to the "sympathy" extended the fighters of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. Those who heard the broadcasts from outside Hitler's Europe, it is told, cursed not their oppressors but friends who, from a distance, were "so sorry".

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I can see the people of this golden city of Prague, perhaps the most civilized capital in the world -- to a Jew, the city of Rabbi Loew (Mahral) and Franz Kafka --, who, in their despair, resemble one of Kafka's characters: he who does not know why he is on trial.

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If Roosevelt was outsmarted by Stalin in 1944 into a division of Europe and the world, why should the Czechoslovaks have to pay for it? They may not claim the same rights to sovereignty as the inhabitants of South Yemen or Nigeria or Zambia; but certainly they are entitled to equal rights with the Congolese.

What transpired now in Czechoslovakia goes back to the end of World War II.

I remember an afternoon in 1945 in Pilsen, the famous beer city, where I was told for the first time how this dividing line between East and West works.

The Americans arrived in Prague before the Russians. Yet they had to retreat and leave the Nazis for two weeks more so that the Russians could "liberate" the capital of Bohemia. What the Gestapo did in that fortnight now is recorded history.

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However, all these expressions of solidarity with the Czechoslovak nation smarting under the knout of an invader for the third time in thirty years would not be so difficult to digest were they not accompanied by attacks against the United States.

I cannot appreciate the mentality of a responsible Canadian editorial writer who dares compare Washington to Moscow. I can understand the thinking of a Tommy Douglas who tries to preserve his "Socialist" image by stating that both the United States and Russia equally are to blame. Mr. Douglas follows in the steps of Pierre Mendes France, who lost all the progressive, democratic, but anti-Communist votes in France because he flattered the Communist conspiracy.

Something is wrong with some Socialists here when they forget that no Communist regime ever was voted in but imposed by force.

The Czechs never elected the Communists; neither did the Poles, the Hungarians -- not even the Russians. So whom does Mr. Douglas fool when he enjoys the freedom to utter political nonsense only because our neighbor to the south is this great, free country we all criticize but, thanks to which, we still are far from Castro, Ulbricht and Brezhnev?

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This is a time for serious thought and repentance. Politicians should not be afraid to say they made a mistake.

Writers who compare U.S. involvement in Vietnam, where Washington originally intervened upon the official invitation of a legal government -- no matter how one may look upon the present state of affairs there --, ought be ashamed to equate the rape of a country, the kidnapping of its leaders, to Johnson's oft repeated and unquestioned position: to let the Vietnamese of all factions, together, elect a government.

True, we must live with Russia. And no one should jump into a nuclear war without probing all means to coexist. But, for goodness' sake, let us not fall victim to a new Communist line on Czechoslovakia which is repeated innocently by non-Communist liberals: that both the United States and the Soviet Union are equally guilty of imperialism.

The United States guards the ramparts of the world still free. Let no one forget it lest we undermine our own freedom.

Catholics, Jews meet in Bogota

New York (JCNS) - Representatives of the Catholic Church and a number of rabbis and lay Jews in Latin America on Wednesday ended near Bogota, Colombia, a two-day meeting called to seek cooperation and understanding of the two faiths, according to a dispatch to the New York Times.

It is believed here that this is the first time that relations between Catholics and Jews in South America have been discussed on the official level.

Those attending the meeting included Cardinal Silva Henriquez, the Primate of Chile, officials of the conference of Latin American bishops, a group of rabbis and officials of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League.

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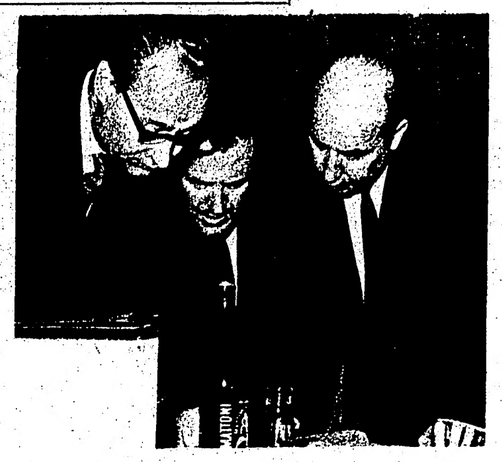

Above, Prof. Eduard Goldstuecker, Jewish leader of Czechoslovakia's intellectuals. At right, Dubcek, Smrkovsky and Cernik back from Russian captivity, but still under Soviet knout.

butcher of Prague

The most hated man in Prague: Soviet Marshall Yakoubosski, Commander of the Soviet troops, who invaded Czechoslovakia last week and forced the government to accept a Moscow diktat.

CONCERN ABOUT CZECH JEWS IN ISRAEL, THE WEST

by the CJN diplomatic editor

Czechoslovak Communist Party leader is back a week after his kidnapping by the Russian Government. But is he back in power? With Soviet armies remaining in the Sudetenland, will Dubcek be able to continue as head of a liberal regime?

The tragedy of the neo-Stalinist takeover of Czechoslovakia spells the actual finis to the remnants of the organized Jewish community there. Although only 14,000 Jews remain in the country, the communities in Prague, Bratislava and Kosice have been active to a certain degree up to last week.

Diplomatic sources report from Moscow that one of the main points in the diktat of the Soviet leaders to the kidnapped Czech government representatives during the Moscow "negotiations" was the demand to end "Zionist" activities. In Moscow's jargon, this means a complete end to any Jewish expression and reducing the Prague and Bratislava communities to shadows in the Moscow manner.

One of the outstanding Czech Jews to have been arrested by the Russians is Prof. Eduard Goldstuecker, leader of the liberal, intellectual revolution and a former Czech ambassador to Israel. Goldsteucker's fate is unknown at the closing of this issue and it is causing much concern to his friends abroad. He had been threatened publicly by the Novotny forces that the day of reckoning would come for him.

Ota Sik, Deputy Vice Premier, was in Yugoslavia during the invasion and this Jewish economic leader of Czechoslovak liberalism is not expected to return to Prague under present conditions. Premier Cernik, reported to be a Jew by a Toronto daily, is not of Jewish origin.

The Joint Distribution Committee in Vienna has begun registering all Czechoslovaks stranded outside the country who need aid.

WHAT NOW?

THE AFTERMATH OF TRAGEDY

NEW YORK (Special) -- Forty-two Czech Jews applied for assistance to Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) offices and associated agencies in Austria and Germany, in the first 24 hours after the Russian take-over in Czechoslovakia, it was reported by Samuel L. Haber, Executive Vice-Chairman of the JDC, the major North American agency aiding Jews overseas (subsidized also by Toronto's UJA).

Those who applied for assistance, Mr. Haber indicated, were among the thousands of Czech tourists who found themselves outside their country when Russian troops moved across the border. Many others are apparently waiting for further developments, Mr. Haber said, before deciding to ask for welfare, migration or other assistance. In all likelihood, he added, as tourists they still have sufficient funds to carry on for at least a limited period without requiring financial aid.

"All JDC offices and cooperating groups throughout Europe have been instructed to provide emergency and other help to any Czech Jew who applies," Mr. Haber said, "just as thousands of Hungarian Jews received such assistance after the revolt there in 1956."

Mr. Haber reported that there are still about 15,000 Jews in Czechoslovakia. The Joint Distribution Committee, which receives the bulk of its funds from the United Jewish Appeal, has not had a program in Czechoslovakia since 1948, shortly after the Communist take-over, when it was asked to terminate its programs in that country.

First, though, the Russians will probably want to settle their accounts with the "leading "liberalizers".

Prime among these is likely to be Professor Ota Sik, the Deputy Prime Minister, who is of Jewish origin. He has been under fire from the Soviet press for his economic reform measures, which were the primary issue in the Soviet-Czech confrontation.

IN DANGER

But many more Czech Jews (there are estimated to be about 14,000 in the country) are in danger. A number were prominent in the liberalization movement particularly in the writers' and artists' committees which spurred the Government to new reforms.

What they face can be sensed from a letter revealed in the Czech Communist Party daily, "Rude Pravo", on June 23. The letter was sent by a member of the Novotny faction to Professor Eduard Goldstuecker, the chairman of the Czechoslovak Writers' Association, who revealed its contents.

After accusing the professor of being engaged in espionage, the writer warned:

"We possess photographs and other material and, in due course, we shall put them at the disposal of the relevant authorities, principally in the Soviet Union, where steps will be taken on an international level to uncover your real physiognomy . . . .

"You want to rule not only in Israel, as Zionists, you strive for world domination, and in this respect you may shake hands with Hitler . . . . That is why honest party members, workers and our militia have a plan to end your madness. Television and the radio will be taken away from the Jews and given back to the workers."

Scapegoat fears in Czechoslovakia

London (JCNS) - What happens next in Czechoslovakia depends very much on how the Czech workers and the intensely nationalist Slovaks react to the return of the conservatives whose reinstatement is the prime purpose of the Soviet invasion and occupation, the JCNS Special Correspondent on East European Affairs reports.

Once the Russians have secured their physical control of the country, they will be faced with a choice between two courses:

The creation of an absolute police State (in which, if previous behavior is any guide, Jews will provide the major scapegoats for "past mistakes"); or the establishment of a regime such as that imposed in Hungary after the 1956 uprising, in which gradual and controlled liberalization on minor issues goes hand-in-hand with strict adherence to the Kremlin line on major matters of policy.

Eshkol calls Cabinet

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - Israel's immediate reaction to events in Czechoslovakia was to see a strengthening of the hardliners in the Kremlin and to interpret the Soviet invasion as undermining any reliance that might have been put on a Russian guarantee of a Middle East settlement.

A number of young Czechs visiting Israel have decided not to return home for the time being.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, summoned a Cabinet meeting at the coastal resort where he is holidaying. Mr. Israel Galili, the Information Minister, said events in Czechoslovakia were "bound to have repercussions in the Middle East."

At the United Nations, Israeli Ambassador Tekoah and U.S. Ambassador Ball discuss Czech situation after sudden interruption of debate following Dubcek "acceptance" of Moscow deal.

FOR THE RECORD

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SEPHARDIC SCHOOL FOR MONTREAL'S FRANCOPHONE 15,000 JEWS TO OPEN

by Victor Michelson

The enthusiasm and propaganda of a Sephardi scholar in Montreal and the self-sacrificing dedication of a young Sephardi rabbi from the United States have combined to make history in the Jewish community here and their efforts have culminated in a decision to launch a Jewish Day School for the children of Montreal's 15000 French-speaking Jews.

This will be the Sephardic Academy of Montreal and it opens its doors next week in premises which are actually part of the Beth Rivkah Academy on Vezina. The two mainsprings of the venture are Dr. Elie Cohen, Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Sir George Williams University, and Rabbi Abraham Edery. The latter, a member of a well known rabbinic family from Morocco who studied at the Yeshivah at Gateshead, in England, has just resigned from a lucrative educational post in the States to tackle what he regards as a far more rewarding job. He is to be the Dean of the new Academy.

At this stage secular instruction will be provided by the Beth Rivkah staff but the Academy will have its own Hebrew teaching faculty of eight. Free transportation is being provided for pupils to and from school and the enrolment is already well in excess of 100.

Both Rabbi Edery and Dr. Cohen were seriously perturbed at the fact that French-speaking Jews had not so far been fully integrated into the communal life of the community here and feared that an entire generation now growing up would be lost to Jewry without some venture such as the one now being launched.

Apart from a drive to raise funds among local Sephardis - many of whom are unfortunately not very affluent - and from Sephardic communities in other places, approaches have been made to Ashkenazis known to have the cause of Jewish education at heart. The response, says Rabbi Edery, has been most gratifying.

"The assistance," he told me, "which Ashkenazis are giving us in terms of money and the advice and help extended by the Beth Rivkah Academy have amazed me. This spirit of "Kol Yisrael chaverim" is a heart-warming thing and will do much to cement the ties of brotherhood and friendship between the two sections of our people."

ABBA EBAN

TALKS WITH JARRING

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - The United Nations Middle East envoy, Mr. Gunnar Jarring, arrived in Lydda yesterday for further talks with the Israeli Foreign Minister, Mr. Abba Eban.

The Swedish diplomat said: "My mission was never suspended and I have come here to continue my contacts with the Israeli Government."

With Egypt clearly refusing to consider negotiations as instanced by her renewed warlike statements, and Jordan having little room for manoeuvre, informed Israeli circles view the resumed Jarring mission pessimistically. There seems to be general agreement that Egypt is using the mission to win time to prepare herself for a "fourth round".

TORONTO SYNAGOGUES

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The Society was formed on the initiative of the Rabbinical Council under the chairmanship of Rabbi Gedaliah Felder.

NEW ORTHODOX CONGREGATION

On Sunday September 8, at 11:00 A.M., Congregation B'nai Torah of Willowdale will hold the ceremony of the "Turning of the First Sod" for the construction of the new sanctuary at Bathurst Street and Patricia Avenue. Many prominent members of the Jewish community and representatives of the Borough of North York will be present at this occasion.

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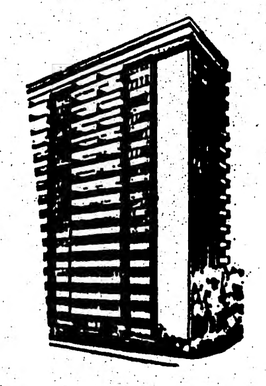

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Canadian poet views Israelis

LAYTON: THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE JEWS

The Poet-in-Residence of the Sir George Williams University, Montreal, was on the way to the Far East when he landed in Israel six months ago. He eventually went as far as India and Nepal, for a few weeks. But he made Tel Aviv his residence as long as the grant he received from the Canadian Arts Council lasted. Reason? -- "The people of Israel," says Mr. Irving Layton.

Aren't the people here the same as everywhere? Perhaps, intrinsically, they are. But the conditions in which they live give them a special something which distinguishes them, Mr. Layton, who supplements his poetry writing by free lance journalism, noticed the animated crowds passing outside the restaurants on Dizengoff, "the main drag of Tel Aviv," and wondered whether those people believed Jordan, Egypt and Syria were on the other side of the moon. But he knows better, of course. The hostile Arab presence was always in the Israelis' mind. The link between the people and the armed forces is nowhere greater. "Here the loss of a single soldier is mourned as if it were a death in the family, as in a sense it is."

So far, being Jewish means, for Mr. Layton, belonging to the tradition of sufferance. Mr. Layton has no intention of breaking with this tradition. His father was a pious man from a small town near Bucharest who arrived in Canada just before World War I, when his son was a year old. His father was unable to persuade him to remain within the framework of religion. That the Israelis keep so much religion in their secular affairs rather irritates the poet, who does not seem to have found any reasonable explanation for it.

He still speaks Yiddish, but his knowledge of Jewish history is hazy. Indeed, native-born Israelis do not seem to him to be Jews at all -- "or if he is he's wearing a heavy disguise". And Mr. Layton observes that "as the process of Israelization continues, attempts at dialogue between those two historic halves of the Jewish community are proving futile since they have nothing meaningful to say to each other."

Irving Layton remembers writing poetry ever since childhood. "At five, I composed jingles for our kindergarten games." In Montreal, where he grew up, the English-speaking Protestants, the French-speaking Catholics and the Jews form "walled-in" societies which never mix. "As the Protestants are richer, their walls are higher and more profusely decorated." Both Protestants and Catholics used to keep the Jews at a distance. At University, Layton intended training as a teacher but he was frankly told that there was little future in it. So he graduated in Political Science.

His encounter with anti-Semitism gave rise to his first long poems, which were militant in spirit. "Of course, the situation has changed considerably since," Mr. Layton hastens to add. He is now the Poet-in-Residence of the University which was his alma mater -- "a post which involves a nice salary for having to wear long hair and conduct a workshop of promising young poets." Indeed, stocky Irving Layton wears his graying hair long enough to be recognized as a bohemian.

Can one teach poetry?

Certainly. Though one cannot make a man a poet.

Poetry, the way Irving Layton writes it, is a melodious verbal impression of feelings and thoughts. When "the swimmer plunges from his raft," he is "opening the spray corollas by his act of war." On a crowded street "the traffic cop moving his lips. Like a poet composing Whistles a discovery of sparrows" about the poet's head.

He is happiest when he composes poems "Love, power, the huza of battle are something, are much; yet a poem includes them like a pool, water and reflection.

Politics, Mr. Layton says, in the broader sense, is what religion was in the 18th century to Milton: a universal system of behavior. The English Romantics already were all engaged in politics. The modern man cannot escape it. Mr. Layton terms himself as a "humanitarian democrat." He hates dictatorship, whether right wing of left wing. "That is why I strongly support the Americans in Vietnam."

It is possibly this inseparable link between politics and life which brings Israel so close to his heart. Though "Israel retains the warmth, neighborliness, noisiness, narrowness, and claustrophobic intensity of the old shtetl," it is also a highly politicized society, in the sense that public affairs take predominance over everything else. "Almost every discussion I've had in this country has started with and came back to this: the rationale for the State's existance." Even a discussion with a woman on a poem Layton had written after visiting the "erotica" exhibition in a Tel Aviv gallery became a political argument. There was "a pressure to conform," Mr. Layton finds, which showed itself in "a collective foreshortening of the intellectual horizon."

A new book of poems will be the result of Mr. Layton's prolonged stay.

SRAYA SHAPIRO
JERUSALEM POST SERVICE

TORONTONIANS IN ISRAEL

HOSTED DELEGATION.-Major General Arik Sharon (center), Israel's Director of Military Training, the guest of honor at Toronto's twentieth anniversary dinner, who was host to members of the Toronto State Of Israel Bonds delegation in Israel at the Officers Training Camp where they witnessed the techniques which have forged Israel's fighting men into world renowned defense forces.

AN AFTERNOON WITH B.G.-For the following ladies, a memorable occasion is the afternoon spent with former Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, during the summer study-tour in Israel: (left to right) Mesdames Hy Lampert, Rose Glazier, Miss Wendy Sussman. Also: (continued, left to right) Mesdames Edwin Hyde, Norman Shaul, Mendel Israelson, David Cappe. Front row, Mrs. Irving Sussman and Ben Gurion.

EXPLAINS ROLE OF ISRAEL BONDS.-Dr. Yosef Burg, Israel's Minister of Welfare, seen with the delegation of the Toronto State of Israel Bonds executive at his offices where he outlined the role played by Israel Bonds funds in providing jobs, housing and education for new immigrants, and in easing the burdens of defense carried by Israel's citizens.

LEST THEY FORGET.-Reminders of the Six Day War throughout the new territories toured by Toronto's State of Israel Bonds delegation. Near Kuneitra on the Golan Heights, the group inspects Syrian underground fortifications which proved no match for Israel's victorious forces despite the hazards of scaling the steep mountains under fire.

IN ISRAEL.-A group of executive committee members of the Toronto Israel Bonds Campaign who visited Israel recently on an intensive sixteen-day study tour, seen in Natanya: (left to right) Harry Frank, chairman, executive committee; Max Sharp, who will be honored at a tribute dinner by Shaarei Shomayim Congregation in the fall, in cooperation with State of Israel Bonds; Dr. Norman Shaul, chairman, Orthodox congregations; Edwin Hyde, co-chairman, Conservative synagogues; Irving Sussman, chairman, Reform temples; Albert I. Lipton, executive director, Toronto State of Israel Bonds.

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Tel Aviv (JCNS) - About 200 delegates from 14 countries are attending here the 13th Congress of their World Federation. Mr. Zeev Sharef, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, has addressed the meeting.

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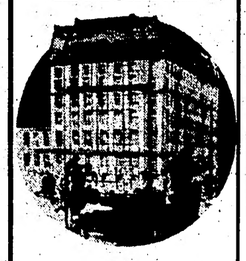

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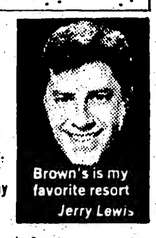

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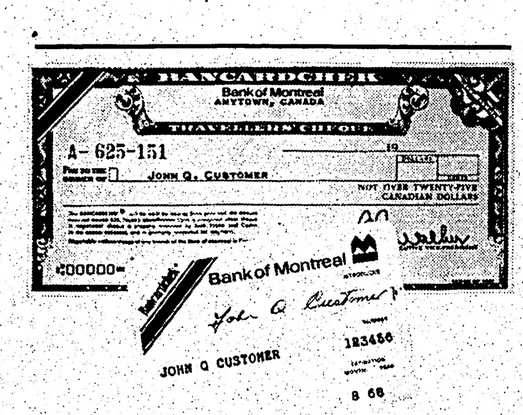

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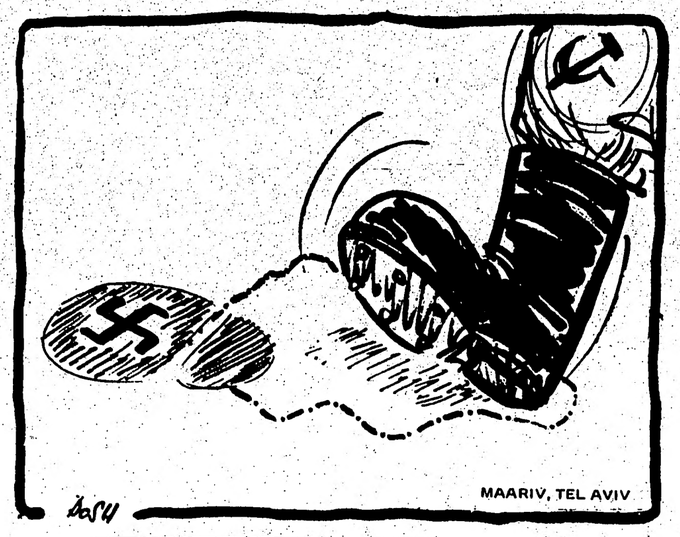

ASK THE RABBI

a JCNS featurette

* WHY DO ORTHODOX JEWS USE ELECTRIC SHAVERS ONLY?

* "You shall not round off the sidegrowth on your head, or destroy the sidegrowth of your beard" (Leviticus 19, 27). From the context of this Biblical verse it would appear that the prohibition of removing beard and sidelocks is based on idolatrous associations. This is the interpretation of Ibn Ezra who adds the further reason that the beard was created as a facial adornment. Maimonides (Guide III, 37) states that it is prohibited to remove the corners of the head, and to mar the corners of the beard, because it was the custom of idolatrous priests. R. Jacob b. Asher (Tur, Yoreh Deah 181) disagrees with the search for reasons in this matter. Since no reason is stated explicitly in Scripture the Jew should obey the "decree of the King" without questioning.

The Mishnan (Makkot 3,5) rules that the prohibition only applies to removal with a razor. Consequently, even strictly observant Jews remove the hair of the beard with scissors or a chemical depilatory or, nowadays, with an electric shaver. Although according to the reasons given the purpose of the law is for man to have a beard, so that it would seem to offend against the law in whatever way it is removed, this is an example among many where the Halachah goes its own way, as it were, and is not influenced by any reasons which may be advanced for observance.

For all that, many pious Jews still consider it an offence to remove the beard in any way whatsoever on the grounds that there is point in men having a special "Jewish" facial appearance and in men looking different from women.

In the Kabbalah the beard is said to reflect the supernal graces which glow from God's wisdom as the hairs of the beard emerge from the face. A noted latter-day Halachic authority, Hazon Ish, states (Letters, Vol. 1, No. 197) that he objects to the removal of the beard with a depilatory because this offends against Jewish modesty and because Jews in exile only remove their beards to ape the Gentiles.

Many Westernized Jews, on the other hand, see no religious significance in wearing a beard since this is no longer considered to be a special Jewish practice and hence does not have the support of what Solomon Schechter calls "Catholic Israel". The compromise many adopt is to remove the beard but with an electric shaver to satisfy the requirements of the din. The Chief Rabbi, in reply to a facetious reference in a Jewish newspaper to the introduction of an automatic lift in his synagogue for use on the Sabbath, wrote: "It looks as if the spectre of religious Jews in twentieth-century garb, equipped with electric shavers and automatic lifts to prove the compatibility of their faith with contemporary civilization, is even more objectionable to you than the sight of ear-locked Jews in medieval schtreimels and kaftans" (Journal of a Rabbi", 1967, 457-8).

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* IS THE FIRST YAHRZEIT AFTER A PERSON'S DEATH TAKEN FROM THE DATE OF THE DEATH OR THE DATE OF THE FUNERAL? DO WE GO BY THE HEBREW OR THE ENGLISH DATE?

* The date is that of the death unless two or more days separate the funeral from the death, in which case the first yahrzeit only is on the date of the funeral. It goes without saying that the date is the Hebrew not the English.

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* WHY ARE WE NOT ALLOWED TO CARRY THINGS ON SHABBAT? IN WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES ARE WE ALLOWED TO DO SO?

* The basic text here is: "And bear no burden on the Sabbath day" (Jeremiah 17, 21-22). The rabbis make a distinction between a "burden" (massa) and an "adornment" (tachshit). Thus it is forbidden to carry a parcel, etc., because this falls under the former heading, but it is permitted to wear rings, gloves, etc.

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* DO WE BLOW INTO THE LUNGS OF CATTLE AFTER SLAUGHTER AS THEY DO IN ADEN?

* The practice of blowing into the lungs is mentioned in the Shulchan Aruch (Yoreh Deah 39,1) but although it is there stated that some adopt this custom in every case, the actual ruling given there is that it only need be done when there is an adhesion about which there is some doubt.

Christians and Jews

COMMON FIGHT

Toronto welcomes the International Conference of Christians and Jews which opens here this coming Monday.

The 1968 assembly for "overcoming the barriers to communication" may not attract the attention it merits because of the international political situation. For who worries about interfaith rapport at a time when the worlds we built, the society of civilized men which we established, seem to be shaken to the very foundations?

Yet this perhaps is the time to rally all, transcending differences of religious belief in order that free men -- Catholic, Protestants and Jews, as well as nonbelievers -- should be able to labor together and fight together for the proposition that man cannot be pushed back into an animal's cage.

Jews and Christians now are under attack by the forces of a neo-Fascism disguised as was Hitlerism under the mask of "Socialism".

If the Communist dictatorship attacks Jews today, it may invade a Christian country tomorrow. Never in history was it so necessary for men of all religious persuasions to unite so that the biblical truth, common to all of us, replace the bigotry of Red Paganism.

Our Jewish contribution to this society of free men can be summarized in one sentence: that the fear of God, His Law, extinguish the fear of man.

Politics in Israel

YOUNG TURKS FIGHT ESTABLISHMENT

by Moshe Ron

Tel Aviv - What happens elsewhere also happens in Israel. The youngsters are revolting against their elders.

Dr. Yehuda Rosenberg, professor at Bar Ilan University and an army officer, who is the son of Dr. J.S. Ben Meir (Rosenberg), Vice Minister of the Interior, known from his days of being a Mizrachi leader in the United States, has assumed the leadership of the rebellion against the older leaders of the Religious National Party.

For five years the Party leaders have postponed elections. A short time ago the two main factions united: one group, led by Moshe Chaim Shapiro, Minister of the Interior; Lamifne, led by Dr. Josef Burg and Moshe Unna, both M.P.'s. These groups total approximately eighty percent of Party members.

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Several days ago a heated meeting of the Party executive took place. Led by Dr. Yehuda Rosenberg, the opposition of the Party demanded an early date for Party elections. A. Beuer, Vice Mayor of Tel Aviv and chairman of the meeting, moved to postpone the elections until November. The opposition stirred up a storm and interrupted speeches of other members of the executive by shouting. They forcefully took over the rostrum and microphone. It got to the point where the leaders of the Party were obliged to call the police.

Someone cut the electric wires veiling the entire place in darkness. But the youngsters did not budge. They continued with the meeting by themselves, which resulted in a decision to hold Party elections on August 20th.

This decision was, of course, not accepted as legal.

The younger element advertised in all newspapers, declaring that scientists and teachers supported their demands. They stated that they intended to intensify their *fight against the Party leaders* to strengthen the democracy in the National Religious Party according to the example of other parties in Israel.

What they want is a rotation system by which no one could serve more than two terms in the Cabinet, municipal councils and other public institutions. They maintain that the Party should not deal only with religious but with all state problems and should play a more active role in the economy, army, Foreign Ministry, police.

They accused the leadership of the Party of having been busy, up to now, with occupying the religious and rabbinical institutions of the country and neglecting all other phases of public life.

The leaders of the Party reacted strongly to these accusations. At their last meeting they did not allow any access to "outsiders"; thus it ended peacefully.

Minister Shapiro criticized the publicity campaign of the youngsters. "They dare defame the names and honor of leaders who give their lives for the establishment of a national religious movement," he said. "This is not an ideological struggle but a struggle for publicity and offices. The youngsters behave like small children. We honor the laws of the Torah and these forbid defamation and libel."

When the vote, proposed by the Party leaders, to postpone the elections until November 9th was called for, the young executive members left the room in protest.

Both sides are preparing a strong election campaign. The Party leaders claim that the entire "rebellion" of the youngsters aims only at obtaining some offices in the new leadership; it is a fight for political position. The youngsters maintain that radical changes are necessary in the Party and its leadership.

MALIK CANNOT FORGET JEWS

United Nations, New York (JCNS) - Russia's representative in the Security Council, Mr. Jacob Malik, sought to use Israel as a red herring when he spoke last night in the debate on his country's invasion of Czechoslovakia.

In their attempt to overthrow progressive Arab regimes, he declared, the United States had used Israel as its instrument, encouraging the Jewish State to undertake "repulsive and shameless aggression".

Mr. Malik also assailed Lord Caradon, the British delegate, who had not been able to find words of comfort "for Arabs under the heel of foreign occupiers".

The defenders of Israel were now posing as "the defenders of socialist unity", he declared.

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ISRAELI ECONOMY

Israel's economic revival after the recession preceding the June war last year is now in full blast. Although precise figures are not yet available, the Gross National Product is now higher than ever, and a shortage of skilled labor is again becoming evident.

Wages and prices, however, are still stable, except for slight pressures in some specialized industries.

Some Ministers are patting themselves on the back for the "achievements" of the 18-month recession, but they did not rectify a basic fault of the Israeli economy - an imbalance of employment as between the service industries and the manufacturing industries. Consequently it is not at all clear whether exports will boom together with production and incomes.

Overall figures appear to show that in the first half of 1968 exports did increase by 11.7 per cent compared to the same period last year, reaching 140 million pounds.

But the first half of 1967 included June, the month of the Six Day War, when exports were only half what they should have been.

Taking this and other relevant factors into account, exports during the first half of 1968 were really running at much the same rate as in 1967 - and imports are much higher than they were then.

Nevertheless, there have been gains. The most encouraging signlies, perhaps, in the fact that "other" exports, meaning items too small for detailed mention in general statistics, have increased threefold in agriculture and by 20 per cent in industry.

Perhaps one of the most satisfactory developments in Israeli exports came in the field of machinery, where foreign sales doubled to 500,000 pounds.

To sum up: While some individual items are showing encouraging advances, exports as a whole do not seem to be increasing at a satisfactory rate.

Progress in this field will depend, not on higher production and income figures, but on whether the Government intends to pursue a policy of transferring manpower from the service industries to the highly important manufacturing industries.

At the moment, nobody knows whether the Government intends to do this, and the Government is not saying.

Letters to the Editor

OUR PRESS IS TO BLAME

Dear Editor:

I find the way the topic of Jewish refugees from Arab lands is handled in The Canadian Jewish News incredible, incongruous and suave. Of course, there are thousands of innocent Jewish refugees from Arab countries. Also, their plight has not reached the "world conscience". But whose fault is that?

If the Arabs have made enough noise to move world public opinion, all the more power to their propaganda agencies. We Jews lack such agencies and in their absence it is our journalists whose function it should be to draw the public's attention to the plight of these poor people.

If matters of substance like the Jewish refugees and the fate of Jews in Eastern Europe, for example, were given more frequent prominence in the Jewish press, plus the occasional article in the general press, rather than a cavalcade of interpretations and reinterpretations of non events, "world conscience" such as it is might gain eventually a smattering of knowledge about our refugees.

Toronto. A. ISAAC

Sermon For The Week

JUSTICE

Justice, justice shalt thou pursue, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. (Deuteronomy 16, 20).

What a wealth of content is to be read into this remarkable injunction, but how much is lost in the accepted English translation. The Hebrew word for justice in this context is *tsedek*, which is generally rendered as "righteousness", whereas justice in Hebrew is *mishpat*. The former has wide and almost limitless implications, the latter is reserved for judges and courts of law.

Why then should the term *tsedek* be so confined in its translation thereby implying a measure of restriction? True, this passage speaks of the need to appoint judges and law officers whose primary task should be the dispensing of "righteous judgment", but can one not infer from the injunction to pursue righteousness that this virtue is operative in the widest circles of society?

Indeed, the more one ponders on the inherent qualities of tsedek, the more one becomes conscious of its infinitive variety. Its praises have been sung by prophet and psalmist who invariably associate it with qualities of kindness, uprightness, charity and truthfulness. There is no abstract quality in this virtue; every facet of its application affects the life and advancement of the whole human family.

The law-giver must, indeed, have anticipated the thoughts of later generations of social philosophers when he stressed that the pursuit of *tsedek* would guarantee life and facilitate one's possession of the earth. He must well have realised that there is no value in life if kindness and charity, uprightness and truthfulness are denied, or if men are deprived of their benefits. When society is torn asunder by brutality and ruthlessness, and when the warmth of humane considerations is regarded as weakness rather than strength, man is reduced to the level of the brute and the law of the jungle prevails.

What happens then to the promise of the earth's possession? This earth was given to the sons of man that they might work it, make it give forth its produce and satisfy man with its goodness. But with the absence of *tsedek*, the earth becomes blood-sodden, God's handiwork is marred, and instead of "man working in partnership with God in the work of creation", he becomes a wanderer on the face of the earth, rootless and powerless to enjoy the manifold blessings which are his by right.

Ours is a generation which has witnessed the truth of the Biblical injunction. We have seen life and soil destroyed by demonic forces devised by man. We have seen the misery of human displacement resulting from cruelty, falsehood, viciousness and injustice. Jewry has every reason to acknowledge the validity of the Biblical command to pursue righteousness and justice, for as a people we have suffered more than most on earth because of the denial of these virtues. As Jews who wish to live and possess their land, we have all the more reason to strive in order to foster these highest of human endeavours.

A dramatic stop-press analysis of the Czech tragedy from a Special Correspondent in Eastern Europe

PRAGUE: THE CONSEQUENCES

LAST week the curtain has risen on the inevitable tragedy that the free world has been dreading. Thirty years after Munich, Czechoslovakia has been invaded again across the same frontiers, from the south, the east and the north. This time it is the Russians who are occupying Prague.

It would be hypocrisy to try to find an alibi for Western passivity. Even though the West can do nothing militarily about the events in Czechoslovakia, the stress laid on its helplessness virtually told the Russians that they would have a free hand in Czechoslovakia. And so it has turned out. This having been said, let us examine the implications that this week's events are bound to have for Jews here in Eastern Europe.

Jewish involvement

As far as Czechoslovak Jewry is concerned, the first striking thing to be noted is the comparatively large number of Jews involved in one way or another in Mr. Dubcek's liberalisation policy. In fact, the last staunch Czech Stalinist of Jewish origin was Rudolf Slansky, who ironically faced a Stalinist firing-squad seventeen years ago. His wife—paradoxically enough—played an active role in the liberalisation movement.

The long-drawn-out persecution of old-guard Jewish Communists, including former volunteers in the Czech Brigades of the Red Army, had continued since 1953. With the new trend under Mr. Dubcek all these were again recalled for active service by the democratic faction within the Party, particularly by President Svoboda.

Now, many top Jewish technologists who took a large part in reshaping the economy are likely to be the first casualties of a reinstated pro-Russian régime.

It is even possible that the fate of men like the former Defence Minister, General Bohumir Lomsky, will now be settled unceremoniously for the worse. Today, however, there is an essential difference between the pattern of persecution to which Jewish officials and ex-officials will be subjected in Czechoslovakia and what happened after the Hungarian revolt.

In 1956 Jewish Communists were branded as ultra-conservatives who by their "lack of patriotism" and sectarian attitude had set off the explosion of counter-revolutionary forces in Hungary. Now, Czechoslovak Jewish artists, intellectuals and officials will be accused of being responsible for formulating Prague's "counter-revolutionary plot" as part of an "international conspiracy."

The process is much the same as that which we have seen in Poland, with two aggravating circumstances: Novotny -- unlike Gomulka—is a notorious antisemite, and secondly, the Czechoslovak press was quite vocal about resuming relations with Israel, one of the few marginal freedoms Dubcek was supposed to have allowed himself in foreign policy.

These factors are bound to have an effect on all Czechoslovak Jews, not only those "at the top." In its search for scapegoats, the propaganda of the pro-Russian camp can be expected to exert itself against rank-and-file Jews also, exploiting every aspect, not only the usual anti-Zionist line.

There is reason to fear that antisemitic Communism will act to revive anti-Jewish feeling among the workers, who have long been bitter and fearful of changes in the economic *status quo*, which guarantees salaries and pensions even without improved productivity or efficiency. (This was, in fact, the basis of Novotny's more recent demagogic policy.)

But, generally speaking, antisemitism "from the bottom" will be minimal and unlikely to increase, because now the fate of Jews is tightly linked with the destiny of the entire Czechoslovak nation. The impact of events in Czechoslovakia on Rumania will also have to be watched with great attention. Will we see Bucharest, in its turn, capitulate, or will the Rumanians stand up to the Russian bear?

The safest assumption is that conditions in Rumania will, as long as the Russians are preoccupied with the Czechoslovaks, remain unchanged. Although the Rumanian Government will have to be more cautious about relations with Israel, present trends are likely to continue. In any case, the call for unity in the face of possible Russian revenge will mean that Rumanian Jews will be included in a "national solidarity" campaign.

The greatest blow to East European Jewry as a result of this week's events, will not be a material one, but a moral one. When I was in Russia, earlier this year, all eyes were on Czechoslovakia, though at that time developments there were still in an embryonic stage.

The belief in Russia then was that, in spite of everything, there was still a chance to couple humanity and brotherhood with the Communist movement, through the influence of events in other parts of the Communist world. It was for this reason that, even though Communism in Poland turned openly to antisemitism, some Jews in Russia still retained their faith that things would turn out differently as far as Czechoslovakia was concerned.

In order to understand this propensity, to grasp at any straw, one must always keep in mind the situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union isolated, frustrated, facing pauperisation and demoralisation, with the social status of *declasses* and the ethnic one of strangers in their own country.

Greater even than the tragedy of the displaced intellectuals and of the individual "unemployable" Jew in Eastern Europe, is the depression of the young generation.

Young Jews in Eastern Europe see no prospects for their own future and are depressed at the sight of the Luftmenschen — the untranslatable term describing men without solid ground under their feet, without regular employment, living "in the air" and —it would almost seem—on air, the former "dreamers of the ghetto." For them in their ever-increasing numbers in the overcrowded cities of Russia, the repression in Czechoslovakia wil come as a terrible shock.

All East European Jews are nowadays extremely sensitive about attempts to democratise Communism which they regard as their only chance of survival —that or emigration to Israel.

Now that this disillusioned, morally unsettled and economically impoverished world is freezing over once again, their depression will be almost unbearable.

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The Lively Arts

Music Theatre Films

by D. Cohn

* A combined Arab-Jewish youth dance group from Jerusalem is on a month-long tour in Europe. The Jerusalem Municipality and Histadrut sponsored group is appearing at a dance festival in Berlin as well as in France and Italy.

The Jerusalem dance group comprises fifteen Arab and eighteen Jewish dancers in addition to Jewish and Arab musicians. They are performing both Israeli and Arab folk dances.

The tour is led by Yaakov Gil of the Municipal Youth and Sport Department, and Shlomo Shoshani, head of Histadrut youth activities in East Jerusalem.

ONE OF THE GREATS -- Paul Brodie, one of the world's best known advocates of classical music via the saxophone, who has been appointed demonstrating artist of Selmer Saxophones, which means that he will appear in recitals and concerts throughout the United States under sponsorship of the Selmer Music Company. Brodie's recordings of saxophone music also will be distributed by the company.

* Haim Topol, 32-year-old Israeli actor who scored a sensational success in the English version of Fiddler on the Roof, is in Salzburg, Austria, making a movie with David Niven. Title: Before Winter Comes.

Topol plays a Russian interpreter in a displaced persons camp. "He is a fellow my own age, which surprises people who tend to think I play only old men," says Topol. "In fact, I have played only four old characters in my entire career."

Topol says, "Luck is the key to 95 percent of success. Look at 'Fiddler'," he adds. "I was in the wrong place at the wrong time, sitting on the beach in Tel Aviv. Suddenly I got this cable from London. Would I audition for 'Fiddler'?

"In all my wildest dreams I had never thought I would appear on the English-speaking stage. I didn't speak English, not a word.

"But some secretary in London had apparently said, 'There's an old Israeli actor around -- why don't you try him?"

Topol also will play the lead in the film version of 'Fiddler'. But the movie won't be made until the end of 1969 and then will be held until the stage shows have had their run.

Topol won the film role when Norman Jewison, who is responsible for all those Oscars for In The Heat Of The Night, saw him in the London stage version.

* Lee Marvin, who is in demand these days, is considering the movie version of two Arthur Miller hit plays: After the Fall; The Price.

* Liz Taylor has lost a great deal of weight. She is still depressed about her recent major surgery.

* General television may begin operating in Israel before Rosh Hashana.

* Green-eyed Gloria Stewart, who performs in perfect, fluent Arabic, is Israeli TV's most sensational discovery. Experts predict she soon will be charming TV viewers throughout the Middle East as the girl with the milk-and-honey looks and voice.

Twenty-eight-year-old Gloria lives in Jericho, half-an-hour's drive from Jerusalem. She catches the four o'clock bus home every afternoon. She loves animals. At home she has ten Persian cats, two wolf-dogs and a big garden with lots of orange trees.

She got the job on Israel's new television station just by writing in -- "and in less than a week I was hired!"

Gloria, who is British, says, "My father is a Scotsman from Edinburgh and my mom is Italian. They got married in Amman and picked Jericho to live in when Daddy was working with the Arab Legion during the British Mandate. I went to the American Friends Girls' School in Ramallah. Later I started a correspondence course in economics with Beirut University."

Gloria wears an outfit consisting of a flamingo-pink blouse and strawberry earrings and a green hipster skirt. "I spend most of my money on clothes," she confesses.

"For two months I was English newscaster with Jordanian radio in Ramallah. Then I was a civil servant for six years. After that I got a job as private secretary to the Jerusalem manager of Kuwait Airlines.

"When the war looked like breaking out, I went to my parents in Jericho. There was shooting down there, but I didn't see any Israeli soldiers. After the fighting was over, my boss took me across the River to Amman to pick up our salaries from the airline. Meanwhile the frontier was closed off and I was left stranded over there till the end of 1967.

"All this time my parents were struggling to get me back through the family reunion scheme. At last I became their Christmas present and everything was all right again."

Gloria is Catholic and speaks five languages: Italian; French; Turkish; Arabic; English. Of course, a little Hebrew.

Says one TV director: "Without really trying, she is going to become a tough challenge to Cairo's TV hate propaganda."

IN COMEDY-FARCE.-Robert Cawdron (left) and Stephen Moore in, An Ideal Husband, alternating next week with The Beaux's Stratagem, which the Theatre Royal Windsor brings to Toronto's Royal Alex.

Holocaust files

London (JCNS) - The Polish authorities have confiscated a large proportion of the files, documents and evidential material collected by the Jewish Historical Institute in Warsaw and removed them to an unknown destination, it has been learned in London.

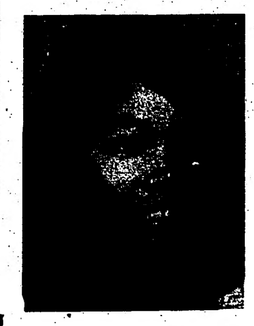
At the end of June, several lorries arrived at the Institute without warning, loaded the files and other materials, and drove off, first overcoming attempts to resist them by Professor Artur Eisenbach, the director of the Institute.

"Trybuna Ludu", the main Communist Party newspaper, alleged that photo-copies of some of the documents and even some documents themselves, had been sent to Israel by the Institute, implying that the rest of the material had been confiscated to prevent this happening again.

The true explanation, however, is considered by knowledgeable Warsaw sources to be quite different.

Ida Kaminska, founder of the Warsaw Yiddish Theatre, who is to settle in New York.

LOCAL LUMINARIES.-The Toronto cast of, Your Own Thing, at The Playhouse Theater: (left to right) Robert Carley; Irene Hogan; Michael Stoddard; Marc Allen III; Gene Masoner; Bob Jeffrey; Jill Choder; Michael Beirne; Pamela Fernie.



FEATURED IN NEW PLAY -- Elaine Jackson, who has the leading role in Game, commencing Thursday, September 5th, at Toronto Workshop Production Theater, for ten days.

Actress beats tanks to border

Vienna (JCNS) - After a dramatic drive in a private car not very far ahead of a Russian tank column, Miss Neva Shaan, an actress of the Haifa Theatre, crossed the border with Czechoslovakia minutes before it was closed and arrived here late that night.

Two sons of Chief Rabbi Elias Katz of Slovakia have also arrived in Vienna. Both have Israeli passports. They had no difficulty in crossing the border.

Four other Israelis who crossed into Austria refused to give their names because they have relatives in the Soviet Union. A Jewish couple called Soldes and their daughter told the JCNS correspondent that, when they had left Czechoslovakia on Wednesday, the Jews there had not been in danger, but were fearful and shocked.

As far as is known, there are 15 Israelis still in the country.

DEBUTS IN OPERA.-Mirna Lacambra, who makes her North American debut in Aida, with the Canadian Opera Company which will perform at Toronto's O'Keefe Center September 13th through October 12th.

• Toronto After Dark •

TWO FIRSTS IN CANADA

Two "firsts" will be performing in Toronto when the Theatre Royal Windsor comes to the Royal Alexandra next week: George Farquhar's The Beaux' Stratagem will be performed Monday, Friday and Saturday nights; Oscar Wilde's An Ideal Husband will be seen Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. Matinees, Wednesday and Saturday, 2:00 p.m.

Among the London stars are Dorothy Primrose, Robert Cawdron, Edmund Pegge, Shirley Cain, Stephen Moore and Richard Gale. Also the famous acting family: James Counsell, director of the Company; Mary Kerridge (Mrs. Counsell); the Counsells' twin daughters Jenny and Elizabeth.

NEW BILL

Beginning Monday, September 2nd, The Headliners will appear at the Hook and Ladder Club of the Beverly Hills Motor Hotel. They will perform for two weeks.

BLUES SINGER

Bukka White, blues singer-guitarist, will appear at George's Kibitzeria from September 9th through 14th.

JUBILEE

University Alumnae Dramatic Club celebrates its Jubilee Year when it opens the season with Viet Rock, by Megan Terry, at the Coach House, October 17th through November 2nd. Following productions: The Promise, by Alexei Arbuzov, from November 28th through December 14th; The Constant Wife, by W. Somerset Maugham, January 23rd - February 8th; Mister, Mister, by Gunter Grass, March 6th - March 22nd.

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Another fifty-eight members of the congregation were named to the board of directors.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Irving Weiss is chairman of the membership tea of Beth Israel Sisterhood of Cote St. Luc, which will take place November 18th, 8:15 p.m.

CONVENER

Mrs. Joseph Agulnik was convener of the opening night benefit performance of Man of La Mancha, sponsored by the Laurentian Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, which took place recently.

PRESIDENT

Dr. Beryl Mendel is the new president of the Mount Royal Dental Society and the Montreal Alumni Chapter of the Alpha Omega Fraternity. Other officers: Dr. M. Shevell, vice president; Dr. E. Slapcoff, corresponding secretary; Dr. A. Wainberg, recording secretary; Dr. H. Plack, treasurer.

REELECTED

Sam Steinberg has been reelected president of the board of administration of the Jewish General Hospital. Officers are: Allan Bronfman and David Kirsch, honorary presidents; Dr. Andre Aisenstadt and Arthur Pascal, vice presidents; Joe Rubin, honorary secretary; Peter Bronfman, honorary treasurer.

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BULLETINS

DESALINATION PROGRAM

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - Mr. George Woods, President Johnson's special representative on desalination problems, who has just left Israel, expressed a note of cautious optimism about Israel's future desalination program. He had headed a group of five experts whose findings are to be reported to President Johnson.

He said that Israel was a country of firm energy, comparing favorably with the best of developing countries which he had visited. He expressed hope that a big nuclear desalination plant would be built in Israel in the 'seventies.

PART OF AMOS'S CITY UNEARTHED

Bethlehem (JCNS) - Part of the city of Tekoa has been unearthed by an American expedition, it was announced last week. Tedoa, some seven miles south-east of Bethlehem was one of the cities which Rehoboam fortified as forward defences of Jerusalem against the Egyptian invaders. It was from there that came the "wise woman" whom Joab employed to spin the parable to David and try and persuade him to rehabilitate his errant son, Absalom. The prophet Amos was a shepherd there.

The expedition, led by Professor Martin Heickson, of Wheaton College, Illinois, claims to have found a tomb containing Iron Age artifacts, of the eighth century BCE.

A license to dig at Tekoa was granted to the American team by the Jordanian authorities in 1966, but work could not then start. A new license was issued by Israel last year.

NEW GERMAN AMBASSADOR PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Herr Karl Hermann Knoke, West Germany's new Ambassador to Israel, presented his credentials to President Shazar at Beit Hanassi. Mr. Abba Eban, the Foreign Minister, was present.

The ceremony was in complete contrast to the one three years ago, when Dr. Rolf Pauls, West Germany's first Ambassador to Israel, was the object of a violent demonstration against the establishment of diplomatic relations with Germany.

As Herr Knoke arrived he was even clapped by some of the small crowd of spectators waiting outside. A military police guard of honor presented arms.

HEBRON SETTLERS MAY HAVE TO LEAVE

Jerusalem (JCNS) - The three Hebron Jewish settlers ordered to be banished from the town by the Military Governor, have written to the Premier, Mr. Levi Eshkol, apologizing for their behavior.

Nevertheless, at a meeting on Tuesday of the Knesset security committee -- to which Knesset motions on the subject were referred -- Mr. Dayan said that the banishment order must be implemented, in order to make clear to the Arabs that orders given by the Military Governor must be obeyed by one and all. The committee accepted his views by nine votes to three.

The banishment order was made because the three had erected an unauthorized kiosk in the town and refused to demolish it when instructed to do so.

On Sunday the Cabinet had deferred the implementation of the order for a second term of seven days.

A day or so after Sunday's Cabinet meeting, Rabbi Levinger, the leader of the three settlers, conferred separately with Mr. Moshe Dayan (Defense Minister), Mr. Moshe Shapiro (Interior Minister) and Dr. Warhaftig.

Rabbi Levinger conveyed the settlers' apologies for their actions and promised that they would obey the Military Governor's instructions in future.

SYNAGOGUE TALKS FOR GERMANS

London (JCNS) - A group of German Christian youth will discuss German-Jewish co-operation in the light of the rise of neo-Nazism at two meetings in London synagogues next month.

The young Germans will be arriving in London on Thursday for a fortnight's visit as guests of the South-West Essex Reform Synagogue.

The Rev. L. Hardman, of the Hendon Synagogue, who strongly opposed a similar visit two years ago, will take part in one meeting, at the North-Western Reform Synagogue, together with Rabbi Lionel Blue, European director of the World Union for Progressive Judaism.

Pastor Dieter Schoeneich, who brought the first group in 1966, will again be the leader. The 20 youngsters, from the North-German town of Husum, range in age from 16 to 24.

Their London program will include visits to the New Liberal Synagogue, Belsize Park, and the Westminster Synagogue. They will also attend lectures on Judaism, the annual conference of the youth section of the World Union for Progressive Judaism and an ordination ceremony at the Leo Baeck College.

A visit to the Wiener Library, a centre specializing in research on Nazi Germany and Jewish persecution, has also been arranged.

The young Germans will stay with members of the host synagogue and will be entertained by the synagogue's youth group.

NO DEAL YET WITH MAPAM

Tel Aviv (JCNS) - A first meeting of the Labor Party leadership to formulate the possible terms of an agreement bringing Mapam into the fold with Mapai, Achdut Avoda and Rafi has reached no conclusion. Another meeting will be held in a fortnight's time, when the Prime Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, will be back from holiday.

Mrs. Golda Meir, the former general secretary of the Labor Party, is known to have urged her colleagues to "seize the opportunity" for a deal with Mapam while that party's cool attitude on Soviet policies remains.

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Mrs. Cohen: "Yes."

Mr. Cohen: "Is there a draft on you?"

Mrs. Cohen: "No."

Mr. Cohen: "Is your seat comfortable?"

Mrs. Cohen: "Yes."

Mr. Cohen: "So let's change seats."

COMPLIMENT

Said little Danny: "Grandpa, today you are seventy-eight years old. So, from my calculations I assume your heart beat 3,299,087,600 times from the minute you were born."

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The Scoutmaster, who also was a rabbi, beamed.

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HUMAN RELATIONS

Babysitting parents

by Dr. Rose Franzblau

QUESTION:

I have a very pressing problem. This past Saturday night, my husband and I baby-sat for my daughter-in-law and son who brought their 2 1/2 year old son to my home. When they came to get the child to take him home (around midnight), my daughter-in-law thanked me. I told her that there was really no need to thank me as it was also "my baby".

Last night I received a call from my son telling me never to refer to the child as "my baby", as the child becomes confused. When they got home, the child was very cranky. He said it was all my fault and that I had upset the child by referring to him as "my baby".

I told my son that his actions were not very reasonable. Was what I said wrong?

ANSWER:

During a child's first years of life, the most important and basic lesson is for him to learn how to differentiate between fantasy and reality. Reality which can be fascinating and stimulating is also, at times, most frustrating. It is this aspect of reality that the child must adjust to and learn to handle.

Psychologically, your son is right in the request he made of you. When you call your grandson your baby, the little one figures that you are partially his mother. This also makes you partially his daddy's wife. If two can have one and the same person, then there is no reason why he, too, cannot have his mother at the same time as his daddy.

In calling your grandson your baby, you convey the feeling that your son, too, is still your baby, and that you have not yet given him up. Although you are a good and considerate mother-in-law, you may still feel that you gave up a great deal in letting your son get married. Therefore, the least that is owed you in repayment for this gift, as well as for your kindness in baby-sitting, is for you to be acknowledged as a part-owner of the baby. Just being allowed to baby-sit is not enough. After all, the little one is asleep and you are not really spending any time with him. You are just sitting around, perhaps slightly bored, and waiting for your son and daughter-in-law to come home from having a good time.

The child's crankiness upon his return home could not have been created wholly, or even in great part, by anything you said. Infants can be moved easily from one place to another while they are asleep, without being too disturbed. However, children your grandson's age may already be restless or even fitful sleepers, and then are upset even more when they are moved from place to place and then required to relax and go to sleep again.

It is better for a child to sleep in his own bed while the grown-ups come to baby-sit in his home. If this is difficult, then the child should be allowed to spend the night with his baby-sitting grandparents. His parents could then come and get him the following morning. Grandparents can make a wonderful contribution to the child's security and to his feeling of being loved by the adults who surround him. However, most of the time they are together should be spent in play or activities where they can really get to know each other.

To say that gratitude is not necessary is to belittle both the gift and the giver. Your relationship with the young couple must be a good one if your son is able to express himself to you so openly and directly. When it comes to the treatment of their child, let these fine young parents be your guide. Then your relationship with them will continue to be good, and your relationship with your grandson will become even better.

HOSTED RECEPTION.-Nathan Hurwich (center), at whose home a reception was tendered recently prior to the tribute dinner in his honor. Gordon Segall, president of Toronto Lodge, B.B. (left); Zev Siegel, guest speaker (right).

TORONTO WOMEN

HELD MEET

The final meeting of the season of the Minnie Etlin Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, was held at the home of Mrs. Rose Tarshis. Mrs. Clara Kaminker presented a reading. Mrs. Lil Kurtz received a pair of traveling candlesticks as a bon voyage gift to Israel. Mrs. Kate Devor was welcomed after surgery.

EXECUTIVE MEET

The executive of Pioneer Women met recently to discuss the bazaar to be held in November. Attending were Mesdames J. Rothman, C. Mekler, F. Martin, R. Cowitz, S. Resnick, P. Band, R. Rife, A. Kaufman, S. Pearson, R. Silver, H. Margolies, Yollick, J. Colt, J. Mandell.

NEW SEASON

The Associated Hebrew Schools Bowling Leagues begins its new season with registration next Saturday evening. Mixed bowling is held every Saturday night, ladies afternoon league, Mondays. Conveners are Fan Wolfson and Lil Silverberg.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

SQUASH AND CHEESE CASSEROLE

2 lbs. yellow squash
1 cup chopped onion
3 sprigs parsley
1/2 tsp. thyme
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
2 tblsp. butter
2 tblsp. flour
1 cup milk
3/4 cup grated Gruyere or Swiss cheese
1/4 tsp. nutmeg
2 egg yolks, lightly beaten
1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper
1/4 cup buttered bread crumbs

Preheat oven to 325. Trim ends of squash, cut squash into rounds and place in a saucepan. Add boiling water to cover and add onion, parsley, thyme, salt and pepper. Cook briefly until squash is crisp and tender. Remove parsley and drain.

Heat butter in a saucepan and add flour. Stir until blended and add milk stirring rapidly with a whisk. When blended and smooth, remove sauce from heat. Stir in half the cheese, nutmeg, yolks and cayenne, beating rapidly.

Add squash and pour mixture into a buttered baking dish. Sprinkle with remaining cheese and crumbs. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until bubbling and golden brown.

Yield: 6 servings.

Style again

by Ruthie

Don't you find it annoying? The minute you become accustomed to one form of style, you're presented with another. At least if there were some improvement! But they're worse and worse. Also, do you notice the full circle, back to where we started?

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Take shoes. What you see now for fall is absolutely ikhy. The shape of those heels! I wouldn't be caught dead wearing them—till I'm more used to them. The only good thing about them is they're sensible. At least you don't hobble on stilts. Though how they hurt the eye!

It brings me back to when wedgies first came out. I swear, they looked like cripple-shoes.

Mama nearly had a fit the first time I wore a pair. Whenever she disapproved of something, her pet expression was,

"I gave birth to healthy children and they make themselves cripples."

But what are you going to do when you want to be up-to-date? So you follow the sheep and what's ugly you say is gorgeous. Kaday (just so) those who dreamed up these outlandish fads get rich fast.

What topped off the wedgies were platform soles. Remember those? There was, though, something artistic about them. And no matter what color, you always had a bag to match.

One season I used red as an accessory to black. I had this huge red crocodile bag. But an all-red shoe would have been too loud. I finally found a beautiful pair of black patent leather with bright red platform soles.

And I only enjoyed them once. I got caught in a rain and they shrank.

So now we're back to the clumsy look again. I'm sorry, when I moved, I threw out all those old pairs of shoes. They'd come in handy now.

And the hairdos! Meshooga (crazy).

I came across a photo recently of a girl who had her hair shorn in one of the newest styles. One side was almost shoulder length and the other side was to her earlobe, parted in the middle.

Now who'd want to go around like that? But there was an aytza (solution). It was suggested that if her husband wasn't too keen on it, she could wear her usually-coiffed wig.

Nu, I have no wig. And I am not going to get one. I like my own three hairs.

The only thing in favor is the flat top. No more teasing.

But then, again, a little teasing gives such a dignified effect. The other way you look like a smashed-in matza.

So what'll you have? Like Papa used to say, "Bock bagel, bock nisht (bake bagel, don't bake)."

My memory goes back to the first boyish bob. (Yes, children, in this century). We kids looked so dapper. We even whistled walking along (how bold can you get?), trying to imitate the boys.

Our parents thought we were going to the dogs. Huh! We were tame, little lemons compared to now.

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Everytime my brood looked at my wedding picture, they giggled. My wedding gown was a gown to end all gowns, they thought. But my detailed description of how gorgeous it was didn't impress them. They were hysterical at the huge bow in back.

Nu, I had my nakumma (revenge). Just the other day we were at a wedding. And I nudged my girls, "See something familiar?"

They saw immediately. The bride's exclusive gown had the same bow like mine, at the same place at the same waistline. And I won't tell you how many years ago that was.

They laughed at the ringlets on top of my head. So this summer I'm laughing back. Because they torture themselves at night with rollers so they can have curls just like mine.

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Every twenty years or so, someone thinks his idea is original. I think I'll save my old rags for posterity.

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ATTENDED RECEPTION.-A reception in honor of Bobby Zweig, who will be tendered a tribute dinner by Sportsmen Lodge, B.B. and State of Israel Bonds of Toronto in September, was attended recently by the following: (left to right) Hank Greenberg, Lodge president; Victor Giblon, Israel Bonds chairman; Harry Mogil; Bobby Zweig.

EAST JERUSALEMITES CONFIDENT IN DAYAN

Jerusalem (JCNS) - Members of the local Arab National Committee on Wednesday voiced their appreciation of the statement by Mr. Moshe Dayan, in which the Israeli Defence Minister urged a return to calm and to cooperation between Arabs and Jews. They also expressed satisfaction at the message by the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Teddy Kollek.

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BEN MILNER

Zionism for us here

Zionism still has a vital role to play in the Diaspora. This is the firm belief of veteran communal leader, Ben Milner, who was a Canadian delegate to the 27th Montreal Zionist Congress which took place in Jerusalem.

Mr. Milner voiced these views in an exclusive interview with the Canadian Jewish News and at the same time opposed the stand taken by this paper which recently queried the need for the continued existence of organized Zionism in the Galut.

He told me he was firmly convinced that Zionism could play a major part in maintaining tangible links between Israel and Jews in other lands. "The Zionist Organization," he said, "is Israel's address for Jewish communities throughout the world.

"In my view," he continued, "the Zionist Organization's importance has been enhanced by Congress decisions which give it much of the responsibility for Aliya. It cannot ignore this responsibility and must intensify its activity, not abdicate its duties."

The Zionist Organization, he said, must do its utmost to attract Jewish youth. Much of the youth revolt throughout the world stemmed from the dissatisfaction of the young in having no say in the shaping of their own destinies. They lacked a sense of purpose. It would be tragic if Jewish youth tended to develop similar attitudes towards Jewish life and towards Israel.

He believed the recent Congress had been a satisfactory one and that the decision in favor of subsidies which would enable them to push on with propaganda for Aliyah and Pilgrimage was a wise one.

Referring to the eclipse of the former president of the World Zionist Organization, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Mr. Milner said, "There was general satisfaction at Goldmann's departure. Now that he has gone, the Organization will no longer try to dictate foreign policy to the government of Israel. He will have to limit the voicing of such views to the World Jewish Congress."

At the same time, he said, he was opposed to Israel's built-in majority of delegates at Zionist Congresses.

"Zionism," he declared, "is as much the concern of the Diaspora as of Israel and world Jewry is entitled to a say in formulating Zionist policy."

FAMOUS YIDDISH EDITOR PASSES AWAY -- Dr. Samuel Margoshes, for many years editor of "The Day" in New York, who died last Friday. Dr. Margoshes was 81 years old. In the early 'twenties, he headed the Zionist Movement in Canada.

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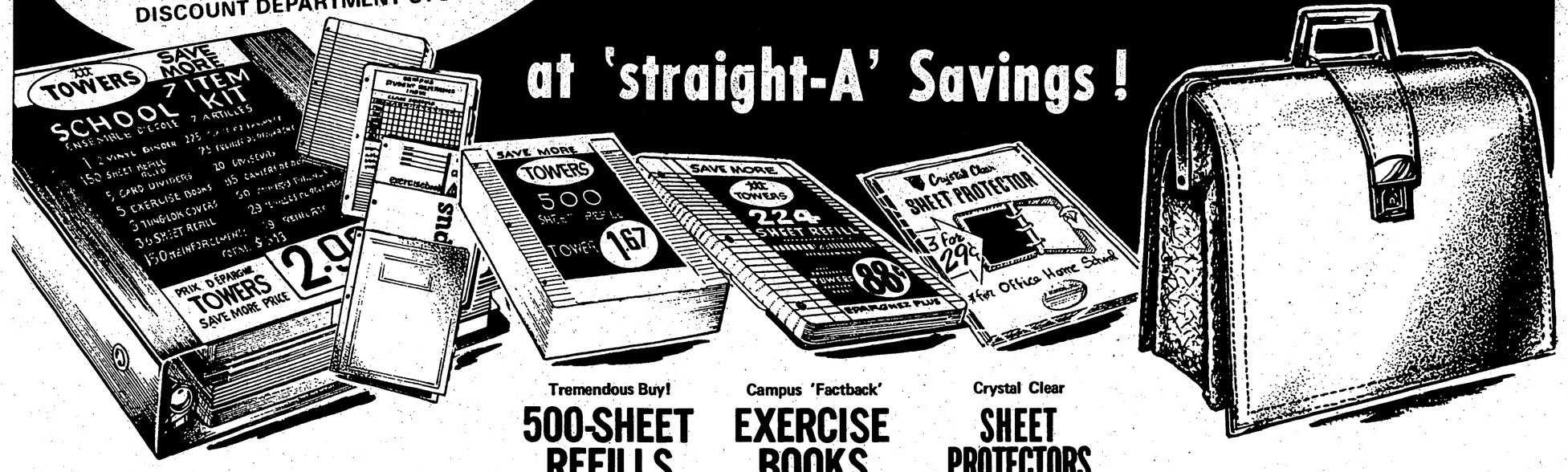
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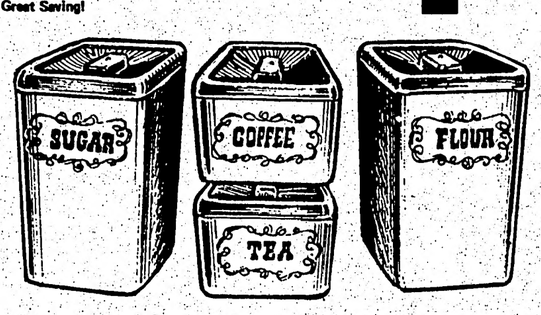

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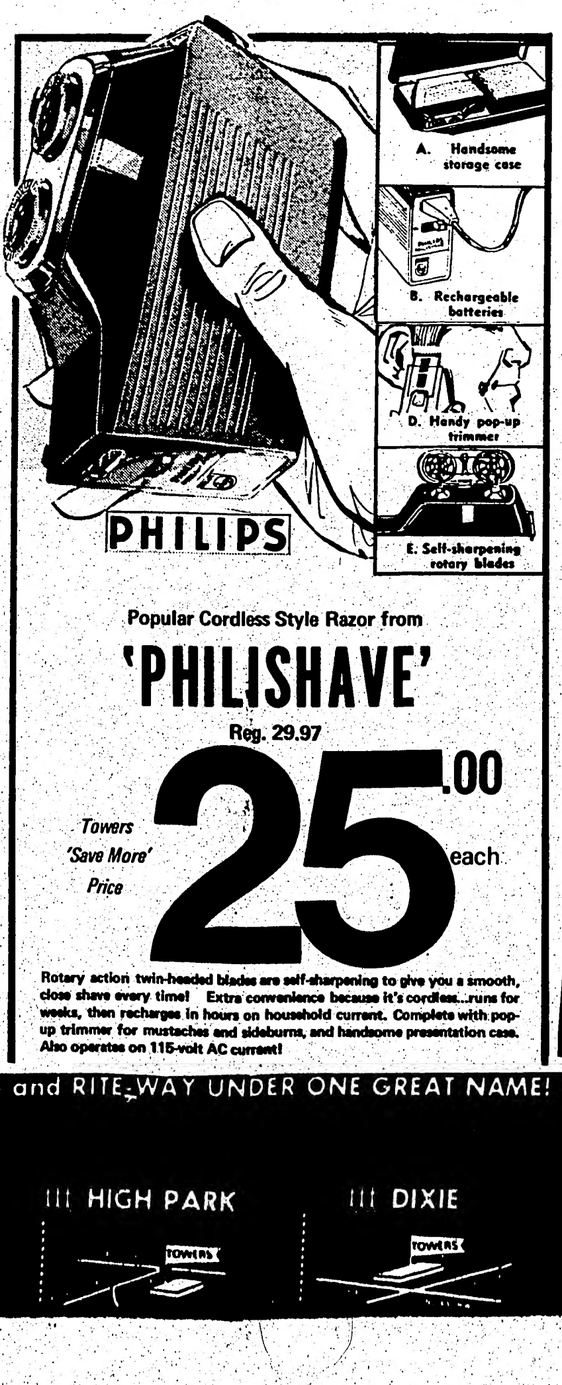

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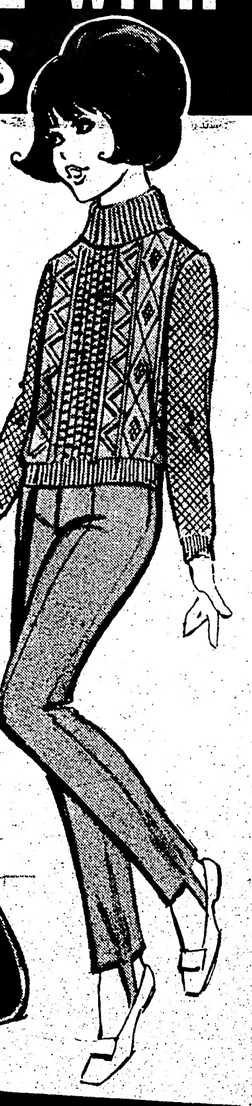

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